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**THE WAR.**

**TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.**

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

**THE WESTERN FRONT.**

**THE ENEMY'S IMPENDING  
OFFENSIVE.**

**THE CROWN PRINCE'S  
REVENGE.**

PARIS, Jan. 13.  
The *Matin* publishes a statement  
by an eminent neutral, who arrived  
from Berlin on January 7, declaring  
that the Germans will launch a  
supreme offensive at Verdun, which  
is intended to be the Crown Prince's  
revenge, with big diversions in Italy  
and in the direction of Calais, as  
soon as the weather permits.

**NIGHT PATROL ENCOUNTERS.**

LONDON, Jan. 13.  
Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig  
reports:—  
There were night patrol encounters  
to the south-east of Arras.

**THE WAR IN THE AIR.**

LONDON, Jan. 13.  
A French communiqué states:—  
Between January 1st and 10th we  
brought down fifteen enemy aero-  
planes and the destruction of twelve  
others is most probable, but has not  
been confirmed.

**GERMAN PRISONERS REPARATED  
FROM ENGLAND.**

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 13.  
Three Dutch ships with German  
prisoners-of-war and civilians have  
arrived at Rotterdam from England.  
They include von Mueller, the Cap-  
tain of the *Emden*, Wallis, the Cap-  
tain of the *Blucher*, and a son of  
Admiral von Tirpitz, and also many  
infantry officers who were captured  
in South West Africa.

The Germans acknowledged the  
good tone which marked the British  
conduct towards themselves.

**THE ITALIAN FRONT.**

**ARTILLERY ACTIVE.**

LONDON, Jan. 13.  
An Italian official message states:  
The artillery was active in the  
Asiago Plateau, to the eastward of  
the Piave Vecchia.  
The British batteries secured many  
direct hits on hostile emplacements,  
on the left bank of the Piave.

**ARAB OPERATIONS AGAINST  
HEDJAZ RAILWAY.**

LONDON, Jan. 13.  
Official confirmation has been  
obtained of the success of the Arab  
operations against the Hedjaz rail-  
way, to the north of Mecca.  
During the three days of the first  
week in January, the Arabs took  
possession of an important portion  
of the line, wrecking and burning the  
rolling-stock and damaging bridges.  
The raiders retired with prisoners  
and booty.

**THE OPERATIONS IN EAST AFRICA.**

**THE GERMAN FORCE THAT  
ESCAPED.**

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 13.  
A semi-official telegram from  
Berlin states that according to a  
wireless message, 1,700 German and  
9,500 native troops have escaped  
into Portuguese territory from Ger-  
man East Africa.

**THE HOSPITAL SHIP "REWI."  
SUNK.**

NO MINES WERE SHOWN SHE WAS  
SUNK.  
LONDON, Jan. 13.  
The hospital ship "Rewi" was  
sunk by a mine off the coast of  
the Red Sea.

**PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.**

**A GERMAN PROTEST REPEATED.**

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 13.  
A telegram from Brestlitovsk,  
received via Berlin, states that at  
the plenary sitting on January 12,  
General Hoffmann again protested  
against the Russian wireless pro-  
paganda because it transgressed the  
terms of the armistice and is in-  
tended to carry civil war and revolu-  
tion into the Central Empires.

M. Trozky replied that the am-  
istice in no wise restricted the expres-  
sion of Russian opinion.

Dr. Kuehlmann declared that non-  
interference in Russian affairs was a  
fixed principle of the German Govern-  
ment which, however, demanded  
complete reciprocity.

M. Trozky replied that the Rus-  
sian Government would regard it as  
a step forward if Germany, freely  
and frankly, expressed views regard-  
ing the internal conditions of Russia.

**PACKING THE CONSTITUENT  
ASSEMBLY.**

LONDON, Jan. 13.  
A Russian official message states  
that the Central Executive of the  
Councils of Workmen and Soldiers  
Delegates and the Peasants' Deputies  
have issued a decree giving the local  
Councils power to re-elect or to  
recall members of the Constituent  
Assembly. In all cases where they do  
not express the views of the labour-  
ing masses.

LATER.  
A statement by the Maximilian  
News Agency shows that the decree  
of the Executive of the Council of  
Workmen and Soldiers' Delegates  
is intended to bring about the recall  
or the re-election of all anti-  
Maximilianist of the Constituent  
Assembly.

The News Agency states that the  
Peasants' Congress of the Twelfth  
Army has decided to recall the three  
Social Revolutionaries of the Eight,  
whom it elected.

A number of the Governments  
have decided similarly.

**HAVY ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.**

LONDON, Jan. 13.  
An All-Ukrainian Congress has  
been summoned at Kiev, for January  
23, to discuss questions relating to  
the Ukrainian Constituent Assembly  
and reports of the Black Sea Fleet  
to Ukraine. Also the reorganisation  
of the Navy on a voluntary basis and  
the organisation of Trade Unions.

**THE ARGENTINE WHEAT CROP**

**PURCHASED BY THE ALLIES.**

BOZARAS, Athens, Jan. 13.  
An important agreement has been  
completed between the Argentine and  
the representatives of the British and  
French Governments regarding the  
Allied purchase of the Argentine  
wheat crop.  
The Argentine will grant Great  
Britain and France credit for £40,000,  
to facilitate the purchase and to keep  
the rate of exchange normal.  
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**SOLDIER RIGAMINT**

At Jember, in the Netherlands  
East Indies, a soldier named  
Rigamint, who was captured by  
the Japanese, has been released  
and returned to his home.









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- (3) All Tenders should reach the Office of the Undersigned on or before Noon, SATURDAY, the 9th February, 1918.
- (4) A Deposit must accompany each Tender, the amount of which may be retained at this Office and Deposit will be returned in case of non-acceptance of Tender.
- (5) The Vendors do not bind themselves to accept the highest or any Tender. Further particulars regarding the conditions of sale, and a list of fittings and fixtures to be sold with the ship, can be obtained on application from the Undersigned.

For and on account of the Concerned,  
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Electric Reading Lamps, Blackwood and Teakwood Screen, Blackwood Furniture including Large 4-Fold Blackwood Screen with 5-Coloured Panels Side Tables, &c., Engravings, Pictures, &c., &c., Tennis Poles and Net, Iron Safe, &c.

A few lots Turkish Bath Shells, Towels, Single and Double Bed Sheets, Bed Quits, &c.

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Two PIANOS.

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Hongkong, Jan. 7, 1918.

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A QUANTITY OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising:—

Teak Twin Bedsteads, Sideboards, Dinner Wagon, Extension Dining Table and Chairs, Chesterfield Sofas, Arm-chairs, &c., Wardrobes, and Toilet Tables, Cots, Miscellaneous Furniture, Pictures, Roll-top Desks, Blackwood Ware including Cabinets, Wardrobes, Stands, &c., Brass Fenders and Fire Brasses, a few lots Porcelains and Caricatures, &c., Bath Room Utensils, Electric Lamps, Enamelled Bath, Carpets and Rugs.

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### PUBLIC AUCTION.

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## THE WAR.

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### SUNDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

## RUSSIA.

### A HOLY WAR AGAINST THE EUROPEAN BOURGEOIS.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 11.

General Krylenko, the Bolshevik Commander-in-Chief, has issued a Manifesto depicting the Russian Republic as being surrounded by enemies on all sides.

The Manifesto contemplates a Holy War against the bourgeoisie of Russia, Germany, Britain and France, and for this purpose appeals for the creation of a new People's Army, which, it is declared, would be a counter-stroke to the German peace offensive.

The Manifesto alleges that Americans and Frenchmen are financing General Kaledin and states that a Holy War on the Fronts as well as behind the lines may be a terrible but unavoidable fate. Therefore, a new and well-armed force of resisters must be organized, the nucleus of which should be the Red Guards, because the old army is exhausted. The new People's Army must be subject to rigorous revolutionary discipline.

The Manifesto says:—Comrades! The people of Italy, Spain, France, Austria and Switzerland look to you with hope and await the call to battle against their bourgeoisie.

General Krylenko declares there will be no compulsion in recruiting the new Army.

The Manifesto concludes with a special appeal for the co-operation of their Ukrainian comrades.

IRONWORKS AND WORKSHOPS CONFISCATED.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 12.

The People's Commissioners have confiscated the great Fushko Ironworks at Petrograd owing to the indolence of the Company, also the motor workshops of the International Sleeping Car Company "owing to the refusal of the management to continue to work."

UKRAINIANS OCCUPY A TOWN.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 12.

It is reported that the Ukrainians have occupied Bohatch, in the Government of Chernogoff, after a severe fighting.

COSSACK LEADERS DISAGREE.

PETROGRAD, Jan. 12.

The leaders of the Cossacks in the Don region are disagreeing. General Kaledin is supported by the majority of the troops and the educated classes. They are against intervening in Russian internal affairs, although they are ready to oppose Maximalist aggression in the Don territory.

General Alexieff and Korniloff favour making the Don region a centre of campaign against the Bolsheviks, relying largely on the formation of an officers corps, comprising 25,000 bayonets.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

TO CONTINUE AT BREST-LITOVSK.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 12.

A message from Brest-Litovsk states that M. Trotsky said the Russians desire to continue the peace negotiations whether or not the Entente Powers participated. He disagreed with the difficulties urged by the Austrians and Germans regarding the transfer of the negotiations to Stockholm, but said, as the Russian people desired a speedy peace, he consented, that the negotiations should continue at Brest-Litovsk in order to deprive the Quadruplex of any pretext for breaking off the negotiations on technical grounds.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 10.

Messrs Samuel, Montagu and Co.'s silver report says, the tone of the market has remained distinctly good. There has been a fair demand for trade purposes, and sufficient supplies have been forthcoming since the last few days without the price being affected.

The Shanghai exchange is firm at the official quotation of 4s. 6d. per tael. The Indian silver holding shows a decrease corresponding to the shrinkage of the note issue.

THEATRE ROYAL.

SHORT SEASON.

FAREWELL SEASON.

SATURDAY, January 19th.

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## FRENCH SOCIALISTS REFUSED PASSPORTS TO PETROGRAD.

PARIS, Jan. 12.

The Chamber, by 397 votes to 144, has passed a vote of confidence in the Government, following a debate on the diplomatic conduct of the war, in which M. Pichon, Minister of Foreign Affairs, reiterated the refusal of the Government to grant Socialist passports to Petrograd.

The Socialists again demanded passports to Petrograd and M. Albert Thomas also demanded a joint statement of the Allied war aims.

M. Pichon dwelt on the unanimity of the Allies' conduct of the war and unreservedly approved of the speeches of Mr. Lloyd George and of President Wilson.

Explaining why the passports were refused, M. Pichon recalled the Maximist repudiation of the Russian engagements and read a letter from M. Trotsky insulting the French Socialists. He said the Government had done the latter a service in refusing passports.

M. Pichon mentioned that France took the initiative in December, suggesting that the Allies make a joint declaration of the war aims, but it was considered preferable to make separate declarations. M. Pichon said it was bound to be disclosed that France, when he was Premier, confidentially communicated her war aims to President Wilson, who then asked Germany to avow hers.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

RAIDS REPULSED.

LONDON, Jan. 12.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We repulsed a raid southward of Arras and dispersed working parties south-eastward of Menin-le-Poix.

Hostile artillery was more active north-eastward of Ypres.

Our aeroplanes dropped two tons of bombs on an ammunition depot in the vicinity of Courtrai and on other targets.

ARTILLERY DUEL ON FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, Jan. 12.

A French communiqué states:—In the region of St. Quentin there was an intense artillery duel.

TRENCHES SUCCESSFULLY RAIDED.

LONDON, Jan. 12.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

We successfully carried out a raid, this morning, on trenches, to the eastward of Loos.

SPEECH BY MR. CHURCHILL.

GREATEST STORM OF ALL GATHERING.

LONDON, Jan. 11.

Mr. Winston Churchill, Minister of Munitions, in a speech at an American Luncheon in the Savoy Hotel, said that the abyss between our war-aims and Prussia's ambitions could not be bridged at present. Germany still hoped for complete victory. We must raise our armies to their full strength. We must have food rations. Every ton of food saved meant a ton of shells fired. He had been compelled to reduce shell issue by hundreds of thousands of tons owing to lack of ships. Nevertheless, the Army in 1918 would have more powerful artillery and more shells than ever. We were able also to completely equip several hundred thousands of Americans. The Germans were bringing hundreds of thousands of troops and thousands of guns from the Eastern Front, and the greatest storm of all was gathering, but we were preparing to receive them. The stories of Germans deserting by the hundred rather than face the furnace into which the ambitions of their War Lords seemed to hurl them was not surprising. He felt sure we would win outright if we used all our resources fully. (Cheers.)

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## AMERICAN SHIPBUILDING.

FAST INCREASES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.

Mr. Hurley, Chairman of the Shipping Board, estimates that the production of shipbuilding for 1918 will be \$500,000,000. Fifty-one shipyards are engaged on the construction of steel ships, and 67 shipyards on wooden ships.

Last year there were 148 shipways; to-day there are approximately 700. The enrolment of 380,000 workers is progressing well.

## THE SINKING OF THE REWA.

"MUST HAVE BEEN MINED."

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 12.

A semi-official message from Berlin states that the authorities are unable to make a definite statement as to the sinking of the *Rewa* as the submarine possibly concerned is still at sea, but competent quarters consider that it is impossible that the vessel was torpedoed, and that she must have been mined.

## A NEW APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, Jan. 11.

It is officially announced that Vice-Admiral Bacon has been appointed Controller of the Munitions Inventions Department, in succession to Colonel Good Adams.

## THE NEW ADMIRALTY BOARD.

LONDON, Jan. 12.



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SHANGHAI	HONGKONG	to SHANGHAI	Jan. 16, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	CHANGCHOW	to SHANGHAI	Jan. 16, at 3 p.m.
PAKHAI & HAIPHONG	CHANGCHOW	to SHANGHAI	Jan. 16, at Noon.
NINGPO & SHANGHAI	CHANGCHOW	to SHANGHAI	Jan. 17, at 3 p.m.
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HAIPHONG	LOONGSANG	THURSDAY	Jan. 17, at 7 a.m.
SHANGHAI	KINGSANG	FRIDAY	Jan. 18, Daylight.
SHANGHAI	KINGSANG	FRIDAY	Jan. 18, at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG	KINGSANG	FRIDAY	Jan. 18, at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	TUESDAY	Jan. 22, at Noon.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	FRIDAY	Jan. 25, at 3 p.m.

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SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	SATSUTA MARU, Capt. Inada, Tons 16,000	THURSDAY, 31st Jan. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	KAIKO MARU, Capt. Shimidzu, Tons 16,000	TUESDAY, 6th Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	KIYO MARU, Capt. Takano, Tons 12,500	TUESDAY, 19th Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. Dohi, Tons 8,000	SATURDAY, 28th Jan.
SHANGHAI & KORE	BOMBAY MARU, Capt. Toru, Tons 8,000	MONDAY, 21st Jan.
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[BY AN AMERICAN STUDENT.]

In the noise of folk-lore the American soldier in France is as yet not only not vocal, but hardly articulate. Most of the slang has been invented for him in other camps or back here, and like his countrymen "Sammy," he repudiates it with a breath. Mr. Haywood Brown recently wrote to the New York Tribune to say that so far he has found our boys to have produced but one slang word—the clacker—what he calls the large copper 25-centime piece. Our popular songs, like "Over There," and "Good-by, Broadway," are written by our comedians. There has, however, arisen a folk-song in the British Army, and it is safe to say that our boys will be no less musical or inventive. Meantime we look for the psychology of the fighting man in his hours of relaxation and exaltation in a new English publication.

"Tommy's Tunes," which is described as "A Comprehensive Collection of Soldiers' Songs, Marching Melodies, Rude Rhymes, and Popular Parodies, Composed, Collected, and Arranged on Active Service with the L.E.F. by F.T. Nettleingham, Second Lieutenant, R.F.C." These songs, as Mr. Solomon Eagle shows in "The New Statesman" (London), are of many kinds and from many sources. One, however, puzzles him, and among his guesses he overlooks the fact that the song in question might have come from America. At least it is from this song, "Green Grow the Grasses," that the word "Gringo," applied to the American "doughboy" by the Mexican, is supposed to derive. We read—

"As the title suggests, Mr. Nettleingham has not specialized in any class of song. He gives not merely the songs which have come during the war from one knows where and the burlesques of music-hall ditties and hymns, but a number of traditional songs and some compositions, largely drawn from the R.F.C., that are obviously the work of clever individuals. These are interesting as extras. So are the old songs, but not all those to which Mr. Nettleingham refers as ballads of the Old Army are peculiarly Army songs, and some are widely diffused among the population. Among those for which he makes no such claim is "The Green Grass Grew All Round." I suppose that collectors have printed it here. They may even have decided that it is an allegory, religious or otherwise, like "I Will Sing You One—O." But I have certainly never seen it in print before. Yet it is one of the most widely dispersed of our popular songs; whatever music-hall ballads come and go, this goes on, and you are liable to hear parties of youths singing it almost anywhere in the country. Several songs of this sort are given; but the greatest interest must lie in those queer, unique songs—whimsical, ironical, grumbling—which have come into being in the Army during the war, and many of which, in the time fashion of folk-poetry, exist in numerous versions.

The most famous of the latter, and the type of most of them, is said to be, "I want to Go Home." It expresses one thing that no British soldier denies even while he fights valiantly on—his utter fed-upness. "I remember the first time I heard of it. A gunner officer (he is dead now) sent it to me, with the tone roughly jotted down. He said that his men would sing that melancholy tune very quietly and slowly when grooming their horses, and that he had never heard anything in his life which moved him more. The difference between various versions of it usually lies in the fourth line. Mr. Nettleingham gives 'Where there are shells and Jack Johnsons gallop.' Of those I have heard, I think 'For, oh, the Jack Johnsons, they make such a roar, sounds likelier to be general. Another song,

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